

Spring Musical And Band Concert Thurs.

Santa Anna Independent School District students will present a Spring Musical and High School Band Concert on Thursday, May 4 at 7 p.m. in the high school auditorium. Everyone is invited to attend this evening of music presented by students in the local school system.

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Brandi Martin, Miss Funtier '95

Brandi Martin, center, daughter of Bill and Becky Martin was named Miss Funtier at the pageant held Saturday at the high school auditorium. Brandi is a member of the junior class at SAHS, active in FFA and a cheerleader for the coming school year. She is involved in rodeo activities and is former Miss West Texas Rodeo Queen. Junior Miss Funtier is Heather Bradley, left. She is the daughter of Dale and Donna Bradley and is fifth grade student in Santa Anna schools. At the right is Little Miss Funtier, Krystle Henson, a third grade student and daughter of Kerry Henson, Jarae Henson and Danny Crowder. As Miss Funtier, Brandi will help promote Funtier Day and will represent Santa Anna at various functions throughout the year of her reign. The pageant was conducted by the Santa Anna Funtier Day Pageant Committee and judges were Tammy Barkley of Brownwood and Linda Smith of San Saba. NEWS Staff Photo

Meet Candidates For Mayor, City Council



DANNY KELLAR
 Candidate For Mayor

Danny Kellar is the general manager of Coleman County Telephone Cooperative. He received a BBA from Howard Payne University in Brownwood.

Kellar and wife, Jean are the parents of a son, Lynn; a daughter, Leanda; and two grandsons, Justin and Logan. Having served several years as councilman, a position he now holds, Kellar says, "I am concerned with maintaining the continuity within the council and mayor's office."

MIKE PRITCHARD
 City Council Candidate
 (No picture available)

First time office seeker Mike Pritchard is employed by Pritchard Construction Company and has a lawn care service.

Pritchard is a graduate of Santa Anna High School and has been employed in the construction business with his father since 1976.

He and his wife, Mary B are the parents of four children, Jacob, Micah, Molly and Loren.

Pritchard is concerned about the future economic development of Santa Anna. He said, "I would like to be closely involved in promoting the image of Santa Anna to attract businesses to our location."

He also believes that we need to create more job opportunities for the citizens of Santa Anna and also for our youth, because they are the future of Santa Anna.



DEBRA SMILEY
 Candidate For Mayor

Debra Smiley is an employee of Thrift Mart.

She and her husband John, are the parents of two boys, John and Jordan. Smiley is the daughter of former Santa Anna resident F. B. (Butch) Wagner and the granddaughter of the late Silas and Myrtle Wagner.

Smiley stated that though she has no previous political experience she is just a concerned citizen who loves the town of Santa Anna. She said, "I would like to see about making some much needed repairs and to see our town restored and grow to be a prosperous town."



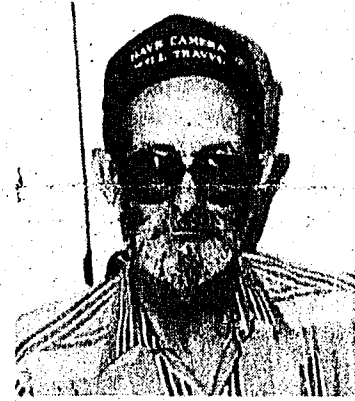
JIM SPILLMAN
 City Council Candidate

My experience on the City Council for the past eight years will be an asset as we face the future in handling federal and state mandates.

I would like to see a revitalization of our downtown area and will work on the city council to help in any way possible.

We also need to work together as a city to revitalize our appearance and help to draw new businesses and residents to Santa Anna.

I will work to help accomplish these goals.



D. D. (TEX) WRIGHT
 City Council Candidate
 (Unexpired term)

D. D. (Tex) Wright is employed by the Santa Anna Independent School District as a school bus driver and also works as an insurance inspector and photographer.

Wright attended Santa Anna schools and is actively involved in the Boy Scouts of America program.

He is a member of the Santa Anna Chamber of Commerce, Santa Anna Historical Development Organization, Coleman County Historical Commission and Boy Scouts of America. He and his wife Patsy have a son, James Pelton; two daughters, Danna Smith and Alys Pelton; and six grandchildren.

Wright believes the economy as a whole is one of the major problems facing the City of Santa Anna. Wright said, "We need to bring more businesses to attract more money which will bring more people. Working to clean up the downtown area and other areas visible to those passing through would help in attracting new businesses."

An appointee, Wright presently serves on the council in the place he is seeking by election.

Polling Places For City, School, Hospital Elections

City of Santa Anna Election & Coleman County Hospital Board Election - Mountain City Community Center (Hi Rise)

Santa Anna School Trustee Election; School Administration Office • All polls open 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Meet Candidates For School Board



CLINT DAY

Clint Day and wife Rita are the owners/operators of the Western Auto Store in Santa Anna.

He is a graduate of Santa Anna High School and attended several technical aircraft schools, working in that field over 20 years prior to returning to Santa Anna in 1976.

Day said, "My concerns are to see that our children get the best education available at the most economical cost to taxpayers."

MARTY DONHAM
 (No picture available)

Marty Donham is a commercial applicator and is a graduate of Santa Anna High School. He also attended Texas Tech University, the University of Maryland and Cisco Junior College.

He and his wife Nikki are the parents of three sons, Glen, Michael and Stephen.

Donham has served as a school trustee for the past six years, the last two years as president of the board. He states he has over 60 hours of school board training, hours obtained through the Texas Association of



EDWIN HIPSHER

Edwin Hipsher is the Postmaster at Talpa. He is a 1955 graduate of Santa Anna and attended Texas A&M University for one year.

Hipsher's wife Jan is Postmaster at Miles and they are the parents of six children and have eight grandchildren. Daughter Melonie is a junior at Santa Anna High School and son Jackie is attending Tarleton State University in Stephenville.

He said, "I have served a total of six years on the board and I am looking forward to serving with Dean Bass as he begins his first year as superintendent."



RICHARD E. (DICKIE) HORNER

Richard E. (Dickie) Horner is a broker for Cen-Tex Land Co. He is a 1968 graduate of Santa Anna High School and attended Texas Tech University and Howard Payne University.

Horner and wife Gail are the parents of two daughters, Brandi Lea and Briana Lynn.

He believes the importance of education in today's fast paced business world can not be overstated and it will take everyone working together for the youth of Santa Anna to succeed.

Horner said, "The school is no different from any other business in Santa Anna. New ideas are needed to keep up with change."

He believes that his experience in business, as well as being a past board member from 1986-89, will enable him to be an asset to the school, and the residents of this school district.

If elected, Horner says he will strive to represent the voters of Santa Anna Independent School District to the best of his ability.



May 9 "Roundup Day For Kindergarten"

These four children from this year's kindergarten class show how much fun you can have in the first year of school. The children are Justin Johnson, Anuhar Garcia, Crystal Camacha and Christine Dorris.

NEWS staff photo

"Roundup Day for Kindergarten" is set for Tuesday, May 9 between the hours of 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. Next year's kindergartners and their parents are urged to come visit the

teachers and classrooms and register for next year.

To be eligible for kindergarten a child must be five-years-old on or before September 1, 1995 and live

in the Santa Anna school district.

Parents should bring the child's birth certificate, social security card and immunization record to the elementary school office prior to the last day of school.

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Birthdays & Anniversaries

MAY 4 Becky Bakera Karyn Kingsbery Brandi Wristen

MAY 5 Robert Robinett

MAY 6 Danny Guerrero Michael Kirven Shelly Robinett Suzy Strother

MAY 7 Marie Wristen

MAY 8 Misty Mercer Billie Rae Diaz James Eubank

MAY 9 Orvel Hall Cynthia Patterson

MAY 10 Laura Mata

MAY 11 Tom Newman Rachael Phillips Joyce Cupps Nathan Starr

Santa Anna Nutrition Center Menu

FRIDAY, MAY 5 Oven fried cod, tater tots, slaw, pinto beans and applesauce

MONDAY, MAY 8 Chicken fried steak, cream gravy, french fries, hominy and mixed fruit

FRIDAY, MAY 12 Spaghetti w/meat sauce, corn-o-brien, tossed salad, garlic french bread and peaches

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Obituaries

Teresa Frausto

Teresa Frausto, 74, of Santa Anna, died Friday, April 28, 1995 at the Brownwood Regional Medical Center.

Services were held at 4 p.m. Sunday, April 30, 1995 at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church with rosary services on Saturday, April 29, 1995 at 7 p.m. at Henderson Funeral Home Chapel in Santa Anna with Father Larry Cyr celebrant at each service. Burial was at the Santa Anna Cemetery under the direction of Henderson Funeral Home.

She was born in Mexico on March 11, 1921 to the late Maurice and Carmon Garza Perez. She married Alex Frausto in Mexico on Jan. 19, 1939 and they celebrated 56 years of marriage. She had been a resident of Santa Anna since 1954 where she was a homemaker and a member of Sacred Heart Catholic Church.

Survivors include her husband; three daughters, Eilda Espinosa of Idaho, Eva Siller of Santa Anna and Mine Rosales of Coleman; six sons, Lupe Frausto, Vincente Frausto, John Frausto, James Frausto, and Alex Frausto, Jr., all of Santa Anna, and Joe Frausto of Fort Worth; a sister, Maria Luisa Castello of Santa Anna; two brothers, Carlos Perez of Mexico and Salvador Perez of Fort Worth; 38 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

Travis Humphries

BROWNWOOD—Services for Travis Loyd "Bubba" Humphries, 16, of Brownwood were held at 4 p.m. Wednesday, May 3, 1995 at Davis-Morris Funeral Home with the Rev. Ruben Packer officiating. Burial was in Greenleaf Cemetery.

He died at 8:15 p.m. Sunday, April 30, 1995 at Comanche Community Hospital.

Born Sept. 13, 1978 in Comanche, he was a sophomore student at Brownwood High School. He was a Baptist.

Survivors include his parents, Dusty and Sharon Humphries of Brownwood; one brother, Humphries of Brownwood; two sisters, Jody Humphries of Brownwood and Wanda Williford of Santa Anna; one niece, Ashley Deniece Williford of Santa Anna; grandparents, Don and Gladys Thomas of Waco; great-grandmother, Vera Thomas of Brownwood; and numerous aunts and uncles.

Arley "Tex" Lane

Arley "Tex" Lane, 71, of Bastrop, LA, died Thursday, April 27, 1995 at Bastrop nursing home.

Services were held Saturday, April 29, 1995 in Golden Funeral Home Chapel in Bastrop, directed by Golden Funeral Home.

Graveside services were held at 10 a.m. Monday, May 1, 1995 in Santa Anna Cemetery with Rev. Nick Farone officiating, with Santa Anna Funeral Home handling local arrangements.

He was a retiree from United Technologies Hamilton Standard in Windsor Locks, Conn. He was a member of Mount Moriah Lodge in Westfield, Mass., Helha Temple and Scottish Rite Bodies of Springfield. He served with the 1st Marine Division in the Pacific during World War II.

Survivors include his wife, Shirley Boyington Lane of Bastrop; two daughters, Sandra Farone of Bastrop and Linda Havins of Childress; three sisters, Myrtle Frazier of Breckenridge, Trudie Cantrell of Jacksonville and Ida Mae Ward of Abilene; four grandchildren and four great-grandchildren;

Local survivors include an aunt, Ila Drake; and two cousins, Maureen Watson and Delma Blair.

Memorials may be made to the Alzheimer's Foundation.

Jim Byrd

Jim Edward Byrd, 77, of Santa Anna, died Friday evening, April 28, 1995 in a San Angelo hospital.

Services were held at 2:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 2, 1995 at the First United Methodist Church with Rev. Richard Green officiating. Burial was in Santa Anna Cemetery directed by Santa Anna Funeral Home.

He was born March 14, 1918 in Madison County, Texas and had lived in Santa Anna for most of his life. He married Ivera Allen in 1961 in Midland. He worked for the City of Santa Anna for 18 years and retired from the Sanitation Department. He was a Methodist.

Survivors include his wife; one daughter, Ruby Byrd of Dallas; one brother, Ivery Byrd of Madisonville; two sisters, Luc Birda Turner of Madisonville and Eva B. King of Palmdale, CA and a number of nieces and nephews.

Cleveland Cemetery Meet

Contributed The 33rd annual meeting of the Cleveland Cemetery Association was held Saturday, April 29. During the business meeting a new roof for the building was discussed and officers were re-elected.

Those officers are Darrel Cupps, president; Joe Wallace, first vice president; James Ford, second vice president; and Juanita Naron, secretary-treasurer.

There were thirty persons present for the meeting from Santa Anna, Brownwood, Bangs, Odessa, Abilene, Gouldbusk and Hubbard.

The Cleveland Cemetery Association thanks everyone for their support and interest.

Thank You

The Santa Anna Chamber of Commerce would like to thank the ladies for their hard work so that our Mexican Dinner could be a great success. We would also like to thank the community and the Santa Anna School District along with Gracie Guerrero for her hard work.

Thanks Again! — Robert Noriega, Chamber President Della Wetsel, Office Manager and the Board of Directors

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Check It Out



Several times lately people who are strangers have been very impressed with our library. When they learn that over 7,000 hard back books and over 3,000 paperbacks have all been given by friends of the library. That the place was re-modeled by volunteers with money donated by friends—they are really impressed. I really thought nothing could surprise me about you friends. Then Geneva Garrett spotted the scrapbooks made by Ione Caton. She is very active in genealogy and immediately recognized their value. Seeing their condition put Geneva into action. She copied the pages, indexed the contents and made it into a very special book to last a very long time. Then she spotted the ledger and she is trying to copy it. Mr. Harold Wheat brought this book in. It belonged to his father. His grandfather and father owned a feed store in Austin in 1879. One of these named accounts could place an ancestor in time and place.

Geneva asked me not to recognize her work but don't you agree this special act deserved our praise?

Joe Green brought in three new hard backs. He bought them at a garage sale then realized he had read the paperback version. The library received a gift. Vengeance Jan. St. James is the story of international big business. The corruption and power that can suck a man down.

Trial by Fire Harold Coyle sounds like a Tom Clancy book. It could happen and that frightens us all. The U.S. is suddenly attacked by forces of the revolution in Mexico. U.S. Forces invade Mexico and established a security zone. Meanwhile diplomatic sources try to find out what's going on.

Deadly Perfume Gordon Thomas. World leaders select one of the best Mossad (Israeli Secret Service) agents to prevent the destruction of the peoples of the world. A maniac has a vial of deadly virils and threatens to add it to water supplies everywhere. He has demonstrated his power in an African town. Good and evil come to a final battle.

Jim Calighour gave a recent Dean Koontz book and Jim Spillman passed Tom Clancy's latest. Mrs. Robert See brought some of the latest magazines. Money Magazine and Kissinger's Reports and several travel magazines. There is even a new travel magazine for people over 50 years of age. Summer's almost here, come plan a vacation. Thank all of you friends for helping us build a good library.

Betty Key worked all day last Wednesday so the library could be open. I went to a computer training school in Abilene. The Big Country staff presented it and the information was great.

Mrs. Ovella Williams is improving but slowly with all those broken bones! Mrs. Letha Martin has come home from the hospital and that's good news.

Thoughts From Our Pastors

Aaron Lemond Northside Church of Christ

Just A Christian:

Can one be just a Christian, no titles, no creeds, no governing body in control but that of the local elders. This question has been asked many, many times? The answer is "YES".

Acts 11:26 Those individuals in the first century, came to know Jesus: Not a man, not an organization: But Jesus Christ: The word was spoken: They responded: Acts 2:37, Peter in Acts 2:28 revealed to them what was necessary: and God added them to the church. Acts 2:47. Notice God added, they were not voted on, confirmed, or any other thing man has placed on us they heard the word, confessed Jesus as savior and was baptized: And we can be just that today the Church in the first century: Did those things required by God, Acts 2: 42, 43, 44, 46, 47.

Yes we can be just a Christian, worshipping, singing, praying and fellowshiping, in the same manner as they did. Free from the influences of men. That is what Christ wanted for his people and his church. This we can be.

'Round & About

Visiting over the weekend with David and Betty Key were their daughter and her family, Linda and Gary Miller, Alesha, Jeremy and Michelle of Lubbock; David's sister, Irene McMillin of Dallas; and Irene's daughter and family, Pam and Curtis Rinn, Megan and Bonnie of Flower Mound.

Mike and Angela Warnock, Brian and Matthew of Lake Jackson were weekend visitors with Mike's parents, Derriel and Polly Warnock. Steve and Kelly Malaer joined the group for Saturday supper. Othal Warnock and Glenda Merworth visited briefly Sunday after church.

Richard and Virginia Powell of Coleman spent parts of February and March in Europe. They attended the birthday party in Karlsruhe of a friend whom Dick met in 1945 while serving in the U.S. military service. They also visited in Normandy, Paris, Berlin, and the Bavarian Alps. They took a train trip through the new Channel Tunnel. Virginia, who is the former Virginia Stockard, says the trip from London to Paris took all of a little over 20 minutes! Not sure she wants to try that one again. She did say the weather was gorgeous and they didn't encounter any bad weather until returning home.

G.A.'s Taking Cake Orders

First Baptist Church G.A.'s are currently taking orders for heart-shaped cakes for Mother's Day.

Cakes range in price from \$5 to \$10.

Call Yvonne Kuykendall at 348-3275 or the church office at 348-3725.

You Are Invited To Attend The Church Of Your Choice



Assembly of God Brady Hwy. James Ford - Pastor Sunday School - 9:45 Worship Service - 11:00 Sunday Evening - 6:30 Wednesday Evening - 7:00

Northside Church Of Christ 310 Ave. B Aaron Lemond - Minister Sunday Bible Classes - 9:30 Sunday Worship - 0:30 Sunday Evening - 6:00 Wednesday Evening - 6:30

First Baptist Church 106 S. Lee Waide Messer - Pastor Sunday School - 9:30 Worship Service - 10:45 Sunday Evening - 6:00 Mission Organizations - 6:00 Wednesday All Age Groups Bible Study - 6:00

Northside Baptist Church 708 Ave. B Marvin Hale - Pastor Sunday School - 9:45 Worship Service - 10:50 Sunday Evening - 6:30 W.M.A. 1st & 3rd Mon. - 2:00 Wed. Nursing Home Service-10:00 Wednesday Prayer Service- 6:00

First United Methodist Church 405 South 1st Mike Eiford - Pastor Sunday School - 9:45 Worship Service - 11:00 UMYF - 5:00 Fellowship Dinner Each 5th Sun.

Cordero Baptist Church Ave. C & South 6th Joe M. Frausto - Pastor Sunday School - 9:45 Worship Service - 11:00 Evening Worship - 5:00 Wed. Bible Study - 6:30

Presbyterian Church 1001 Willis Dr. Richard H. Wood - Pastor Sunday School - 9:45 Worship Service - 11:00 Family Night Dinner - 3rd Wed. Fellowship Dinner Each 5th Sunday

Seventh Day Adventist Church Ranger Park Robert L. Stumph - Pastor Saturday Sabbath School - 9:30 Worship Service - 11:00 Vespers - SDA School - 4:00 Tuesday Prayer Meeting - 7:00 at school

St. Willow Baptist Church Brady Highway R.L. Brown - Pastor Sunday Worship - 11:00

New Hope Community Church Brady Highway D.C. McNeal - Pastor

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NEST AVAILABLE

County Commissioners Handle Routine Matters

Coleman County Commissioners met for their end-of-the-month meeting last Friday and handled several items on the agenda. Bids were opened on the scrap iron located at the county barns. A bid by James Walker of \$2.25 per 100 lb. weight on certified scales for iron in Precinct 3 and 4 was accepted. Walker also bid the same for scrap iron in Precinct 2 with Kenneth Smith bidding a flat amount of \$50.11. Commissioner Billy Don McCary will weigh the iron before a decision is made on which bid to accept. The placement of a line by GTE in Precinct 2 was approved after re-

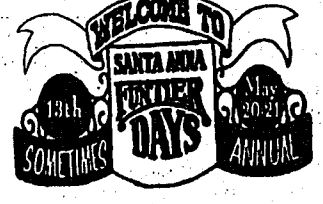
viewing the location. The location is County Road 102 and Highway 84. Judge Sherrill Ragsdale informed commissioners that the county's quarterly financial statement would be available soon. It was also noted that Ragsdale and commissioners served as judges in a recent 4-H parliamentary procedure contest. Monthly bills totaling \$28,000 were approved. Items deferred were the purchase and placement of county road signs for 911 purposes, the need to advertise for bids on the mower/shredder and the mutual agreement forms with surrounding counties.

HDO Gets Grant Okay From Coleman Development

The Santa Anna Historical Development Organization last week received good news from neighboring Coleman, after making a request of the Coleman Development Company. In a recent meeting Montie Guthrie, chairman of Santa Anna Historical Development Organization, made a request of the Coleman group for additional funds toward securing a museum of the Comanche presence in Texas and Coleman County. The HDO had received some funding from the Coleman group about a year or so ago.

Giving a detailed written presentation, Guthrie said progress has been made and the HDO is classifying it as a three-pronged effort. These being community (economic) development, historical development and Native American youth camp capitalizing on this area's natural attractiveness. Guthrie noted, "We anticipate having 35 Comanches here in May (Funtier Day) who will sell arts and crafts as well as give demonstrations".

Other details were given and the request made for a \$1500 grant from Coleman Development Company to continue its project. Members of the Coleman group agreed to offer a matching grant up to \$1500. In a telephone interview Monday of this week, Guthrie said the Santa Anna Historical Development Organization has \$900 of the matching funds at this time and is working toward securing the additional \$600 needed in order to meet the help offered from its neighbors. He added that the group would also gratefully accept any donations toward matching the grant. This could be your opportunity to help get the ball rolling for the Comanche Museum.



Trickham News

By Anna York

Our attendance was off church Sunday morning for Sunday School but we will have church next Sunday hopefully we will have more present. Mrs. Gertrude Martin and Laverne McClatchy were at Hico last Tuesday visiting with a daughter and sister Mineola McSwain and her husband Ray. On Wednesday Laverne visited her daughter Jeannie Drienhofer at the Brownwood lake and on Friday she visited a granddaughter Lara Meckfessel at Howard Payne. Last Sunday afternoon Royce and Wanda McIver visited with her uncle Walter Hodges at Lake Brownwood, on Monday they were at Buffalo Gap and visited with their son and family the Britt McIvers. Tuesday afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Bill Bryan of Rockwood visited with Royce and Wanda. Mrs. Frances Featherston of Snyder visited with Lorene Rice on Tuesday. I was sorry to hear that Lorene's mother Lillie Featherston is in the hospital and not too well but hoping to go back to the care center on Monday. Mr. and Mrs. Roy Pattino and sons of Rockwood visited Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Hilburn Henderson. Sunday afternoon visitors with Terry, Helen and Ben McIver were Jorge West Sellers of Abilene, Grady Clay McIver of San Angelo and Ray and Betsy Jones. Those that were dinner guests of Mrs. Edna Laughlin Sunday were Charlotte and Billy Lee and children

Ranger Park Inn News

By Dorothy York



Mrs. Kathleen Avants stands behind her mother, Mrs. Ruth Hibbits who celebrated her birthday this month. Mrs. Lillie Charlton, Mrs. Helen Laws and Mrs. Glenda Gassiot not only baked cakes for the birthday party they assisted with serving refreshments to the residents. The beautiful table cloth was made by Mrs. Annie Mae Brimer. Mrs. Brimer was unable to attend but we certainly appreciate her thoughtfulness of allowing us to use this table cloth which won a blue ribbon for her. The Rev. Bob Hayes also attended as this month's party was sponsored by the Valera Baptist Church. We thank you so much for all the wonderful cakes made by the above mentioned ladies

and Mrs. Avant also made a cake since it was her mother's birthday. Mr. Dalton Thomas entertained our residents with his very special country western music. He also led us in singing Happy Birthday to Mrs. Hibbits. We surprised Mrs. Peggy Johnson, sister of our residents Miss Christine Sanders by wishing her happy birthday as it was her birthday the day of the party. We want to thank all our volunteers who bring joy and entertainment to our residents. We welcome Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Murphy as new residents. Their son-in-law and daughter Mr. and Mrs. Bill Evans are also among our volunteers.

Eastern Star To Hold Bake Sale Saturday, May 13

Contributed At a recent meeting of Santa Anna Chapter, Order of Eastern Star the annual election of officers was held. Mrs. Billie Guthrie was elected Worthy Matron and Montie Guthrie, Jr. was elected Worthy Patron. A committee is searching for a deserving Santa Anna High School boy and girl from their spring's graduating class. A bake sale will be held Saturday, May 13 at 8:30 a.m. in front of Thrift Mart. Phone orders may be made by calling Michelle Morgan at 348-3463 or Billie Guthrie at 348-3517. Call for your Mother's Day baking.

Coleman County Crime Stoppers Crime of the Week

Sometime during the last week of March or the first week of April, 1995 person or persons unknown entered a residence located on Highway 283 just north of Rockwood. Taken from the residence were a Remington 12 gauge 1100 shotgun, a Remington 22 rifle and a Marlin 22 automatic rifle-model 60. If you have information leading to the arrest and indictment of the person or persons responsible for this burglary, you could be eligible for a cash reward of up to \$1,000. CALL CRIME STOPPERS AT 625-BITE OR 348-BITE. REMEMBER YOU CAN REMAIN ANONYMOUS.

Jason Dean Inducted Into Honor Society At McMurry

Jason Dean of Santa Anna and a student at McMurry University in Abilene was recently inducted into Alpha Kappa Delta, an international sociological honor society. Membership is based upon meeting serious academic standards and majoring or minoring in sociology. Dean is the son of Roddy and Debbie Dean. McMurry University is a four-year liberal arts institution located in Abilene. Affiliated with the Northwest Texas and New Mexico Conferences of the United Methodist Church.

Susan and Clifton and Darla Kay and Donnie Barnum and children Kimberly and Ryan and Doyle Laughlin, all of Brownwood. Gary Guthrie celebrated his fourth birthday on Saturday with a nice party at the home of his parents Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Guthrie. Those present

other than those mentioned above were Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Alexander and Pete Alexander of Bangs, Annie Lou Vaughn, Wesley Dockery and Earlene Dockery. Sunday dinner guests of John and Earlene Dockery were Dwayne and Cooper Hogg, Wesley and Candi

Dockery and Michael Guthrie. The eighty-four club met at the community center Thursday night with sixteen present. Reba and Elvis Cozart visited on Monday morning with Annie Lou Vaughn and Mrs. Ann See of Coleman visited Tuesday morning. Phillip Cozart of Round Rock visited on Friday evening with Nikki and I and Annie Lou Vaughn visited briefly on Saturday.

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District 10-A Tennis Meet Winners Named

Santa Anna hosted the District 10-A, West Zone junior high tennis tournament recently and results were as follows:

Girls Singles: 1. Mendi Mitchell, Cross Plains; 2. Laura Ricci, Cross Plains; 3. Jennifer Billingsley, Evant; 4. Kathy Pierce, Eula

Boys Singles: 1. Colby Richards, Cross Plains; 2. Jerrod Frazier, Eula; 3. Clay Parrish, Evant; 4. Billy Trott, Eula

Girls doubles: 1. Jolana Fleming-Amanda Dillard, Cross Plains; 2. Jennifer Johnson-Maria Ellerbe, Santa Anna; 3. Brandi Hulton-Chandra Heath, Cross Plains; 4. Olivia Frausto-Johnnie Spires, Santa Anna

Boys doubles: 1. Brook Calloway-Brice Hale, Cross Plains; 2. Sam Nixon-Dustin Hinkle, Cross Plains; 3. Chris Boyet-Jesse Castillo, Santa Anna; 4. Aaron Barr-Shawn McCoy, Eula

What's Up With Nick Wood?

Editors Note: Nick Wood, an Abilene fifth grader recently visited the local school campus and talked with the fourth, fifth and sixth graders about his experiences at Space Camp.

By: Daena Castillo and Sarah Powell

Nick Wood came to our school to tell us about SPACE CAMP! He went to Space Camp about March 23 during his spring break. He was a very interesting person. This Nick kid had so many patches you could not count them. He went to camp in Huntsville, Alabama. This person was a TOTAL GENIUS, or at least that's what everyone said. He told us many unusual things, like how waste products are recycled in space. We thought it was totally disgusting, but he said it was not that bad. When he went he got picked as navigator for the mission. Can you believe he did all this neat stuff on a week's spring break? That seems IMPOSSIBLE to do, but he did it!

Photo by Carol Herring

I see men ordinarily more eager to discover a reason for things than to find out whether the things are so.

—Montaigne

FFA Presents Number Of Awards During FFA-FHA Annual Banquet

Gary York, Santa Anna FFA Advisor, presented several awards during the recently FFA-FHA Banquet.

Awards were presented as follows:
Greenhand Degrees: Ami Beal, Tony Abernathy, Tony Brashears, Calvin Brown, Josh Daniel, Albert Dixon, Stacey Smart, Ryan Keeney, Kristen Keeney, Shane Watson, Aaron Guthrie, Amanda Lishka, Cesar Patino, Hector Patino, Chris Johnson, Ebby Johnson, Chris LaCasse and Andy Ramirez

Chapter FFA Degrees: Chris Cheaney, Patricia Scott, Tim Perry, Mark Yancy and Johnnie Lawhon
Star Greenhand: Aaron Guthrie
Star Chapter FFA: William Loyd

Honorary FFA Members: David Yancy

Golden Swine Award: Josh Daniel
Ag Worker of the Year: Brandi Martin

Proficiency Awards: Ryan Keeney, swine production; Tom Guthrie, sheep production; Lee Keeney, ag mechanics.



Receiving Proficiency Awards at the banquet were Lee Keeney, ag mechanics; Tom Guthrie, sheep production; and Ryan Keeney, swine production.
Photo by Becky Martin



Choice of dry cereal, graham crackers, whole white, lowfat white and lowfat chocolate offered daily

MONDAY, MAY 8

Breakfast: Donuts, orange or apple juice, raisins and milk

Lunch: Steakfingers, whipped potatoes, chilled slice peaches, hot rolls, orange or apple juice, milk, gravy, catsup and honey

TUESDAY, MAY 9*

Breakfast: Blueberry muffins, fruit, raisins, milk and syrup

Lunch: Fish fries, blackeye peas, slice apples w/cinnamon, orange or apple juice, cornbread, coleslaw, macaroni and cheese and catsup and tartar sauce

WEDNESDAY, MAY 10

Breakfast: Scrambled eggs, toast, fruit, raisins, milk and jelly

Lunch: Bar b que pork patty, baked beans, potato salad, fruit, hot rolls, orange or apple juice, milk and catsup

THURSDAY, MAY 11

Breakfast: Biscuits, fruit, raisins, milk, sausage gravy and jelly

Lunch: Taco bowl w/meat, lettuce, tomatoes w/cheese, refried beans, chilled fruit cup, orange or apple juice, milk, spanish rice and picante sauce

FRIDAY, MAY 12

Breakfast: Oatmeal, toast (cinnamon) fruit, raisins, milk and jelly

Lunch: Hamburger or cheeseburger, hamburger bun, burger salad w/pickles, french fries, orange or apple juice, milk, pickles, cheesecake w/fruit topping, catsup or mustard or mayo

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Lishka Ninth In Regional Discus

Contributed
When District II-A track competition began there were 250 girls from 92 schools in our region vying for an opportunity to take part in Discus regional competition.

SAHS freshman Amanda Lishka was one of the 16 girls who qualified for the regional competition.

Lishka finished 9th in regional last weekend in Abilene.

Look for the ridiculous in everything and you will find it.
—Jules Renard



Aaron Guthrie was the recipient of the Star Greenhand Award presented by Lee Keeney.
Photo by Becky Martin



Catrina DeLeon presented William Loyd with the Star Chapter FFA Award.
Photo by Becky Martin



David Yancy (right) become an honorary FFA member during the banquet. He is pictured above receiving the award from Brandi Martin, FFA President.
Photo by Becky Martin



Brandi Martin was the recipient of the Ag Worker of the Year awarded presented by Gary York, FFA Advisor.
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Rockwood Women's Club Meets

Contributed
The Rockwood Women's Club met Tuesday, April 25 at the Rockwood Community Center.
The meeting was opened with the pledges to the United States and Texas flags. LaNell Brusenhau read the thought for the day. Bettie Dues read the minutes for the last meeting and gave the treasurer's report. A discussion was held on redoing the floors and it was decided to look into the cost and getting someone to do it. It is discussed and decided not to have the next family night supper until June. The date will be announced at a later date.
After the business meeting, LaNell directed the craft. We made pin cushions out of tuna cans, material, whatever decorations we wanted and filled the cans with sawdust.
After the craft, refreshments were served by LaNell Brusenhau to Skeeta Cooper, Bettie Dues, Minnie Bray, Coleta Pearson and two guests, Mrs. Tosh Hayumpa of San Antonio and her mother, Olivia Howland of Rochester, NY. Vera Faye Wise dropped by for a few minutes.

Rockwood News

By Sandra Wilson

I'm not sure that our weather knows what it wants to do. It would be nice if it decided to rain. Oh well, that why they call it the weather. It doesn't know whether it wants to do this or whether it had rather do that.
Hank, Darla, Hunter and Hayden Wise had lunch with Janet Barker and her other guests, Mike, Tanya, Blaine and Chanice Barker Sunday.
Blake Williams talked to Chris and Carolyn Williams via telephone, they are visiting in New York. Blake also visited with Donald and Lillian Williams via telephone. Blake hasn't been up to par lately.
Jimmie Gail Hafner, Cody, Haley, Travis and Julie visited with Claudia Rutherford Friday afternoon and Saturday. Claudia attended the Rutherford Reunion Sunday afternoon. Monday Claudia was in Gouldbusk to play dominos with the Gouldbusk Eighty-four Club.
Gary Sim's parents, Carl and Doris Sims of Mexia are visiting with Gary and family for the next several days. Carl is just getting over hip surgery. We hope things are going well Carl.

Burgess Stewardson attended the Rodeo Association Fish Fry Friday night. Saturday the Stewardsons worked and sheared their sheep. Saturday evening Burgess and Gayle attended a reception at the Jack Home Ranch for Rick Tisdale and Shawna Stroebel.
Kirk and April DeFoor of Arkansas spent the weekend with Judd, Toni, Tyler and Sloane Stewardson.
Tuesday morning Alene Rutherford visited with Dick and Johnnie Deal. Dick and Johnnie visited with Norene Winstead Friday and Saturday. Norene wasn't feeling too good Friday but was a little better Saturday.
Tuesday visitor with Johnnie Steward was Charlie Smith, J. E. and Billye Porter arrived Friday night to spend the weekend with Johnnie. Others visiting over the weekend with Johnnie were Olin and Ethel Horton and Mike, Jamie, Casey and Lauren Ray. Jack and Skeeta Cooper, Fanny McGee and Mr. and Mrs. John Rutherford visited with Johnnie Sunday afternoon. Drop-in visitors during the week were Bo Wilson, Tony Rehm, and Curtis Bryan.

Bill and Lois Bryan spent most of the first part of the week tending to business and making doctor appointments. Friday night they visited with Royce and Wanda McIver. Sunday night they played dominoes at Jack and Skeeta Coopers.
Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Richter, Randy and Nathan of Mesquite spent the weekend with Homer and Betty Richter.
Last Friday Minnie Bray drove to New Braunfels to visit with L. D. and Kim Whitton, Clay and Katie returning home on Tuesday.

Spending the weekend with Jack and Skeeta Cooper were Arlen and Quincy Allen, Elizabeth, Justin and Jordan Gregory of Temple and Debra Allen of Waco. Jack, Skeeta and their guests attended the Rutherford Reunion Sunday at Rockwood. Sunday evening Bill and Lois Bryan, Minnie Bray and Claudia Rutherford joined Jack and Skeeta for domino games.
Jr. and Nell Brusenhau hosted Bible study for Bro. Jeff, Loma and Sara Dean and Minnie Bray. Nell quilled at the community center Thursday. Friday Jr. and Nell were at Simpson Lake at Gretta Parris and Freddie Polks visiting with them and also Mr. and Mrs. Bailey Hull. Saturday Jr. and Nell visited Mason and Fredericksburg enjoyed the day and the pretty flowers.
Dorothea Whisenant had an eye doctor's appointment Monday. She and Guy also visited with Jim and Kathy Fraser while they were in Brownwood.

Joan Hoyumpa who recently moved to our area is an avid bird watcher. She had been a member of several bird watching groups and was wondering if there is a group in this area or if there is any other bird watchers out there that would be interested in forming a group. She would love to share her knowledge and interest with others. Joan and her mother, Olive Howland drove to San Antonio Wednesday night. Friday they went to Bandera for last lunch and later in the day they attended a Jazz Festival which is a part of San Antonio Fiesta. Ben, Joan's son, is a member of the University of Texas Jazz Ensemble. They performed Friday and Olive got to see her grandson perform for the first time. Saturday after dropping Ben off in Austin Joan and Olive returned to Rockwood. They reported it was a very enjoyable trip.
While enjoying the countryside Saturday afternoon Elec and Rose Cooper at Waldrip and visited with Charlie Smith and Frances McAlister. Sunday Denny and Louise Densman visited with Elec and Rose.
Friday afternoon I picked Maegan Avants up from dance class and she visited with Bo and I until her mother Mindy got back from the track meet in Abilene. Saturday evening Bo and I visited with Charlie Smith and Frances McAlister. Sunday Martha and Becky Brooks and Frankie Mathews stopped by on their way to Coleman from Pflugerville. Gay Abernathy also visited Bo and I Sunday afternoon. Monday afternoon I visited with Gladys Slayton and Dude Watson in Coleman.

Whon News

By Mrs. Tom Rutherford

My daughter Mrs. Patsy Smith of Abilene was with me Saturday night. On Sunday we attended the Rutherford Reunion in the Rockwood Community Center. Not a large crowd of relatives attended the reunion but seemingly all who were present for the day really enjoyed meeting together again. We enjoyed a delicious dinner meal together one more time. If I understood correctly the Rutherford Reunion will be the last Sunday in April in 1996. We trust everyone will be present again and those who could not be present this year will attend later.

Cathy Wimberly of Odessa and Julie Fitzpatrick attended the bridal shower for Michelle Bullion at Granbury the past Saturday. Michelle is the daughter of the late Mrs. Cheryl Bullion and husband of Granbury. Also the granddaughter of Mr. Graham Fitzpatrick of our community. Julie reports Mr. Fitzpatrick's sister Katie of Longview was also present for the shower. They report a very nice time together.
Mr. Neil Fitzpatrick of Odessa was here over the weekend with his father Mr. Graham Fitzpatrick and other relatives here.

Ruth Poldrack of Coleman was with her mother Mrs. Ethel Radle in Santa Anna on Tuesday and Saturday. They visited briefly with Mrs. Letha Martin Saturday afternoon who had been a patient in Brownwood hospital from a broken hip for several weeks. We are thankful to hear Letha is home from the hospital. Her sister Cleta Fay of San Antonio was with her this week but plans to return to her home Monday.
My son Hilary of Coleman was with me during the past week. also my son Loyd had dinner with us a few times. They were getting some work done here and for Loyd and Iso for myself.

Mr. Leon Carter was with his sister Lorene Black in Brownwood Sunday. I enjoyed Leon stopped by one day the past week and visiting a while with me. Leon has not been feeling so well of late and he don't look like he is feeling very well these days.
Mr. Douglas Avants of Brady was with his mother the past Tuesday in Santa Anna. Thankful James Avants of Coleman is home. Was in the Brownwood hospital for some tests during the past week. Is home at this time.

Jennifer Pelton and Darrel Wright dropped by his mother's Mrs. Audrey Wright Sunday.
Kathleen Avants went up to Ranger Park Nursing Home and took hamburgers to her mother Mrs. Ruth Hibbitts Saturday at noon. Kathleen was up several times through the week.
Jennifer, Jessica and Chrystal visited the A. C. Pierces Friday. Jennifer spent Saturday night. Friday night Lou visited Bobbie Guthrie one afternoon. Lou visited Cindy and girls while Saturday a while.
Joe Wallace has been up to Ranger Park Nursing Home visiting Ruth Hibbitts. He also visits his sister and brother there.
I went up to the Cleveland Cemetery meeting Saturday morning.
Emitt and Eunice Terry were at the farm the past couple of weeks. There were at church Sunday.
Hope all you have a nice week and hoping we get a shower soon.

Cleveland News

By Clara Cupps

I talked to my daughter Carolyn Covey in Georgetown this Sunday. On her way home from our Easter get together they took movies of bluebonnets and all kinds of flowers. They were beautiful.
Doris Kelly and Delores Vaughn came for the cemetery meeting. Afterwards they went to John and Juanita Naron's for lunch. Juanita went up to see Mrs. Ruth Hibbitts Saturday. Also Gwendolyn Garey of Buckholt went by to see her.
Wednesday Carmilla Baugh went to San Angelo to see her sister and husband, Nancy and Glen Avants. She went up to see Ruth Hibbitts Sunday. Jamie Jo and J. C. have been in and out Sunday. Carl and Edith Flores of Vernon are going to San Angelo Monday to see the Avants. Sunday night all three went to Bangs to the Baptist Church to Kayla and Will's recital Sunday night.
Jerry and Cathy Ellis and family and the Cecil Ellis visited back and forth for the week. They are doing well.
Thelma Fleming went to the singing Tuesday night at the Cleveland Church of Christ. Also went to the forty-two party. Said she enjoyed all. She also attended the cemetery meeting.
Those visiting with Casey and Eveline Herring were Kenneth who spent the day Sunday. He spent Saturday night. John spent the week.
Phil and Adam Huggins of Coleman and David Huggins visited their parents the Lee Ray Huggins.
Those visiting with Ovella Williams the past week were Thelma, Leona Henderson, Sug Stearns, Virgil Cupps. Ovella is doing better.
Those visiting Aunt Helen and Uncle Emil Williams were Thelma Fleming and the nurses.



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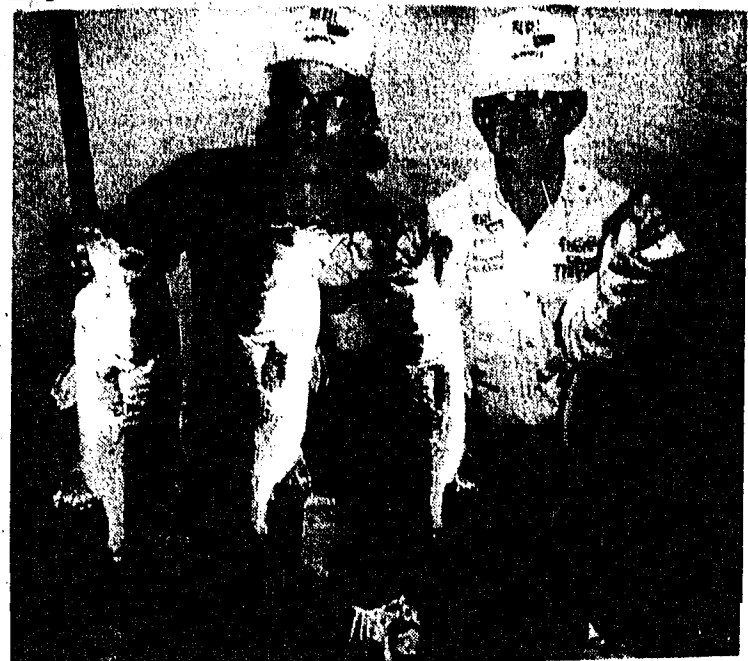
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Fishing Lake Ivie

By Durwood Strickland

Fishing guides Shawn and Durwood Strickland landed these largemouth bass pictured above this past Thursday in the main lake area. The bass tipped the scales at 6, 1, 4-1/2 and 9 lbs. They were caught in two feet of water on air craws and power worms. Durwood says there should be major movement of big bass into the main lake five days before and five days after the full moon on May 14th.

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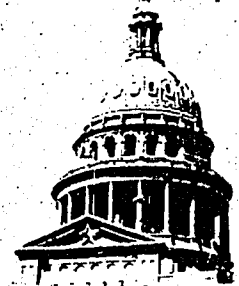
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By Lyndell Williams & Ed Sterling
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AUSTIN — Both houses of the state Legislature agree: Needy Texans who can work ought to work to receive financial assistance from the state, and there has to be a limit to time "on the dole."

Last week, the Texas Senate voted 31-0 in favor of Sen. Judith Zaffirini's bill overhauling the state welfare system. The state House passed its own welfare bill earlier, and a conference committee is expected to iron out differences in the two measures.

"I believe this bill will help us get Texans off welfare," said Zaffirini, D-Laredo.

The Senate bill would require:

- Welfare recipients who exhaust benefits to wait five years before they could reapply for more financial aid;
- Children on welfare to be immunized;
- Adult welfare recipients to sign an agreement in which they promise to be drug-free and help establish a dependent child's paternity.

The measure also:

- Would limit benefits received on behalf of a dependent child to a maximum of 36 months; and
- Would allow the state to revoke the driver's, professional and recreational licenses of parents who are delinquent in paying child support.

An amendment to the bill would consolidate employment programs administered by various state agencies under a new Texas Department of Workforce Development.

Another amendment, by Sen. Jerry Patterson, R-Pasadena, sets time limits on receiving welfare based on education and work experience. Patterson said variable time limits would allow the state to lend more assistance to the lesser-skilled welfare recipients.

Sen. Chris Harris, R-Arlington, tacked an amendment on the welfare bill that would make divorcing couples who have been married for at least 10 years eligible for "spousal support" for up to three years if husband or wife lacks job skills.

The House measure also has an alimony provision, but its version would eliminate the 10-year marriage requirement for battered spouses.

Senator Dislikes Jail Policy
Shortly after the House voted

to permit violent offenders to be warehoused in state jails beyond September 1997, a key senator predicted the Senate will vote down the measure.

Earlier, the House voted 141-0 to pass a criminal justice bill that would repeal a Sept. 1, 1997, deadline to remove all violent offenders from state jails. The new jails were sold to voters as correctional facilities that exclusively would house nonviolent offenders.

"I don't think lifting the 1997 cap has got a chance in the Senate," said Sen. John Whitmire, D-Houston, chairman of the Senate Criminal Justice Committee. "I can't imagine the House did this. It shows a retreat from the concept of state jails."

The House bill's sponsor, Rep.

Allen Hightower, D-Huntsville, said his measure was intended only to give the state flexibility from September 1997 to September 1998.

"By 1997 or the next year, we will have enough inmates (convicted of nonviolent offenses) to fill up state jail facilities," Hightower said.



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